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Appl. No. : 10/613,861
Applicants : David V. Foster *et al.*
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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Madam:

This is responsive to the Office Action issued on March 1, 2006. A Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) is attached to request a three-month extension of time from June 1, 2006 to September 1, 2006 for filing the Reply. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified patent application in view of the following remarks:

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.